SELECTMEN and ASSESSORS MEETING SUMMARY February 18, 2015

The weekly selectmen's and assessor's meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, Wednesday, February 18, 2015 by Selectman Wesley Daniel. Selectmen Donald Grinnell and Duane Vigue were also in attendance as was Town Clerk/Treasurer Ann Dean. There were no attendees from the public.

The summary of the February 11, 2015, selectmen and assessors meeting was approved as written.

The selectmen voted unanimously to approve a payroll warrants in the amount of \$3,424.29, and an accounts payable warrant of \$3,050.81.

Jonathan Daniel, Road Commissioner, was absent and had no written report. Wes reported that the back-up generator at the town garage is not large enough to run the compressor during a power outage. The selectmen acknowledged the issue and suggested a purchase later in the year if funds become available. Wes also confirmed that the contractor's price to crush 5,000 cubic yards of tailings at the town pit is \$35,000. Don reported that Gartley and Dorsky Engineering should have the plans and draft bid package for the two culvert replacement projects to the selectmen by March 11th.

Robert Temple, Code Enforcement Officer, was absent due to illness.

Pike Industries sent a notice of intent to file with the DEP the company's proposal to have the flexibility to process soils resulting from spills and leaks at its operation on Jefferson Road. Citizens should contact DEP for questions or clarification.

Next week the selectmen will make a final review of the proposed 2015 budget and compare the draft warrant with the budget to ensure accuracy before signing the warrant for annual town meeting.

The selectmen selected this year's recipient of the Unsung Hero Award. The announcement will be made during town meeting.

Duane reported that he had received an email from a disgruntled citizen as to why Time Warner Cable was not available in town. Duane has done a considerable research into the issue last year for another citizen. The basic answer is that cable companies do not think it would be profitable in the rural town such as Washington. Duane will email the citizen with an explanation.

At 8:50 pm, under the provisions of 1 M.S.R. § 405 (6) (A), the selectmen entered into executive session to review two applications for equipment operators on the road crew. They returned to regular session at 8:58 pm. Although both applicants seemed to be qualified, the selectmen voted unanimously to wait until the ads for vacancy appear in this week's "Courier-Gazette" and "Free Press" before beginning the interview process.

With no further business to come before the board the selectmen adjourned at 9:02 pm.